THE RACING MEN GETTING READY-CLUBS FRE PARING FOR A BUSY OUTDOOR SEASON. NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The local bicycle-dealers are not as happy or as sanguine as they were a few weeks ago. During the latter part of February and the month predictions were made that 1898 would prove to be the livelest in the history of the trade. Their stores were thronged with intending purchasers at first, and then the orders for new heels came in in a manner beyond the expectations of the most sanguine. The war talk, however, seems to have affected business lately, however, seems to have affected business lately, and as a result the dealers are in anything but a pleasant frame of mind. Some of them are outspoken on the subject, and those handling wheels the makers of which have not advertised their wares this year as they did in other deasons are more than disappointed, and the seasons are more than disappointed, and the seasons are more than disappointed, and the seasons are that there will not be a wild anxiety to handle those wheels another year. Publicity to handle those wheels another year. Publicity is necessary in the bicycle business—more so, possibly, than in any other. Said a prominent dealer the other day: "There is no use in denying the fact that business has been duil for and as a result the dealers are in anything but a pleasant frame of mind. Some of them are outspoken on the subject, and those handling

turn journey, a stop of a half-hour will be made, when photographs will be taken.

If the number of survivors is as large in proportion to the number of entries on this run as on the fail century, a big crowd can be looked for at the fountain about 6 o'clock that afternoon. Captain Edward Petersen of the Vigilant Cycle Club has been made a pacemaker.

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a dozen or twenty miles ridden in the rain over muddy roads! Still, such dress guards are manufactured, and in a variety of colors. They are made as durable as possible in order that the washing and starching they will so often need will not prevent their lasting reasonably

Along the North Shore of Long Island the people of the towns and villages realize that road improvement means much to them. Northhave all been working and are still working to put the roads in good condition. Northport a



EATON AND LOUGHEAD.

the last week or two. I ascribe it partially to the fact that everybody has been so busy discussing the war with Spain that they have given little thought to anything else. Now that the war talk is over in a measure, and hostlities may be begun at any minute, the wheelmen may give more attention to the sport. I can say truthfully that I sold more wheels in March than I ever disposed of before in that month, but I can't say that the April record will be as good. I look for a big improvement from now on."

cycle clubs of New-York City, having been ofganized in 1892, has been reorganized and incorporated recently, the following officers being selected for the ensuing year: President, Dr. with the Clinton Cycle Club of that place, which built the first bicycle path on Long Islsecretary. Charles P. Hanson: treasurer. Thomas F. Phelan: trustees, Henry Lehmann. A. C. Beckert, Thomas J. Moore, Henry Gaerther. Edward Canavan and H. M. Clohssie. Under its present organization this club has entered upon a new and progressive policy. Having won the silver cup offered as a second prize by the Associated Cycling Clubs at their late bowling tournament, the club tendered a reception to the bowling team last night. On reception to the bowling team last night. On Acrel 17, the club held its Sunday run to New-Amaganett path. Having won the silver cup offered as a second prize by the Associated Cycling Clubs at their late bowling tournament, the club tendered a reception to the bowling team last night. On April 17 the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the company of the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell, who have the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell run to the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell run to the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell run to the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell run to the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell run to the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell run to the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell run to the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell run to the club held its Sunday run to New-Reshell run to the club held run to the cl April 17 the club held its Sunday run to New-Rochelle, where forty members spent an enjoyable day. A club run will be held to-day, to which all unattached wheelinen are cordially invited. The entries for the second annual century run of the Yorkville Wheelmen, to be held on May 29, are coming in rapidly, and it promises to be a gala day for that organization.

At the Trans-Mississippi Fair in Omaha a liberal arrangement will be made for the display of bicycles and accessories. A section for these exhibits 11 feet in width and 400 feet long on the ground floor and facing two prominent aisles of the Transportation Building has been set aside, on one side of this being rallway ap-pliances, etc., and on the other carriages and other vehicles.

Entry blanks for the Manhattan Bicycle Club's single and double century runs of June 4 and 5 are now ready. They show that the start will be made at 7:30 o'clock on Saturday night from the Bedford-ave. fountain, and the finish of the first century will be made at Bedford-ave, and Eastern Parkway, eleven hours later, when all who desire may continue on and complete a double century, the whole to be finished within twenty-four hours from the start. The moon will be full on the night of the start, so that all may try the novelty of riding a century by moonlight and then continuing on to complete the double century. Survivors' medals for those completing the double century will be of gold, and for those completing the single century, will be of silver. The entry fee has been fixed at \$1. Entries may be sent to R. L. McFarland, Manhattan Bicycle Club, No. 205 West Fifty-seventh-st. The Manhattan Bicycle Club has decided to give a trophy to the club having the most survivors in both the single and double century runs, each survivor of the ford-ave, and Eastern Parkway, eleven hours and double century runs, each survivor of the double century run being credited with two points, and the survivors of the single century with one point in competition for the trophy.

The indications are that the spring century run of the Century Wheelmen from New-York to Patchogue, Long Island, and return to Valley Stream, which takes place to-day, will be one of the best attended century runs feelings of weariness. be one of the best attended century runs ever held under the auspices of that organization. The arrangements made for the comfort of the participents will be up to the usual standard. Besides the regular trains from either Jamaica or Valley Stream, special trains will also be in readiness to carry the riders, free of charge, to either Long Island City or Flatbushave. Brooklyn. Railroad and ferry tickets will be sent with the badges and checking coupons to every one entering for the run. Arrangements have also been made with the Long Island Railroad Company by which all riders wearing Century Wheelmen badges will be allowed a special rate of two cents a mile from any station along the line of railway. of the participants will be up to the usual stand-

Ankle action develops the muscles of the calf. It steadles the machine and prevents side slip, by adding constant pressure on the pedals. By helping the crank over the dead centre with the "clawing" process, it is a great help to hill-climbing. By preventing jerky action and consequent dissipation of power, it increases speed. Last, but not least, ankle action is graceful.

The Madison Wheelmen, of No. 1,666 Madisonave, report rapid progress for their spring century run from Bedford Fountain to Oakdale and return, on May 1. Entries still flow in, and the number is now beyond the first expectation. The entry list will close Wednesday. Two handsome prizes have been secured, and they will be awarded to the two clubs having the largest number of survivors and the last uniformed club. Ample accommodations have been made at stopping places, which are Lynbrook, Seaford, Bay Shore, Oakdale, and the same places on the return trip, dinner being taken at Bay Shore. At Lynbrook, on the re-

nonth, but I can't say that the April record will be as good. I look for a big improvement leather tanned for the purpose from a cowhide. Every saddle requires at least a foot of leather, and it is estimated that more than a million feet are cut up annually for bicycles."

Association is doing good work. In conjunction secretary. Charles P. Hanson; treasurer, and-the one running through the woods be-

The club runs of the Morris Wheelmen for

SUNDAYS

May 1 Grening of summer station. To Belden Point, & a m., return at 11 25 a. m. and 5 35 p. m. Captain H. A. German in charge.

May 8 To Paterson, N. J. via Fort Lee Ferry, Little Ferry and Hackensack Leave 8:45 a. m. for 8:15 beat. French Hotel for dinner. Lieutenant J. T. T. Intson in charge.

May 15—To Freeport, Long Island, via Merrick Road. Leave 3 a. m. for 9:30 hoat, Twenty-third-st, ferry. Returning, 3 p. m. Lieutenant Emil Brill in charge.

May 22—To Nyack, via Tarrytown, Leave 3 a. m. for 12 o'clock beat at Tarrytown. Lieutenant George W. Elliott in charge.

May 28 26—To Delaware Waier Gap. Leave Saturdny, 28th, 4.10 p. m. train Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad, Christopher-st. ferry. Stop at Delaware Water Gap for night, May 29, Sumlay-Leave 8:30 a. m. for Port Jeris, via Bushkill and Milford, Leave the Port 3 p. m. for Middletown, N. Y. May 30, Monday-Leave for New York 5 a. m. via Goshan, Monroe, Tuxedo Furk (Ridgewood for dinner), Hackensack, Little Ferry and Fort Lee. Captain H. A. German in charge. TUESDAYS

May 8 (full moon)—To Reiden Point Summer Station Leave 8 p m sharp
May 10—Metropolitan run Leave 8:30 p m, via
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May 2-To Fort George Leave 8:30 p, m, via
King-bridge Road to Featherbed Lane, Washington Bridge, Western Rendevard, St Nicholesave, and One-hundred-and-twenty-sixth-st.

May 24-To Bay View Villa, Leave 8:30 p, m,
Dance until 11 p, m

"Riding a bleycle is a most effective cure for melancholia. The change of scene diverts the attention and the brain receives a splendid tonic by the temporary change," says a physician.

ney when starting out so energetically, and

For the short-sighted exclist who cannot read his cyclometer while seated in the saddle a little device, consisting of a lens mounted on the fork in front of the mileage recorder, has been

As an instance of the popularity of cycling in the Navy, it is stated that it would be difficult to find a man-of-war that has not at least one bicycle on it.

The first cycle race over the snow, with the thermometer at some degrees below zero, was recently run between Moscow and Him Kie. The postal authorities of St. Petersburg have

lately been experimenting with tricycle carriers for collecting letters from the postoffices. Cyclists desiring to join the League of American Wheelmen may obtain full printed information and membership blanks by sending their names and addresses to the Cycling Editor of

In Australia the bicycle is rapidly taking the place of the horse, even sheep drovers are using machines while pursuing their business.

RULES FOR PACED RACING. THE ARTICLES FOR THE HOYT AND M'DUFFEE

CONTEST TO OBTAIN DURING THE SEASON. The appended articles have been drawn up by the National Track Association for use in paced racing contests this year. The articles were drawn up especially for the coming match between Hoyt and McDuffee and they will apply to the other races

pacemakers on the track at each race, unless otherwise mutually agreed upon. Second—The start shall be a standing one from the tape, the pacemakers to come down the stretch on even terms. Third—Choice of positions at the start shall be determined by the tess of a coin. Choice of positions on track for pacing machines shall be determined likewise. Fourth—It is agreed that neither principal shall be permitted to follow his opponent's pacemakers, but he shall have the right to follow his opponent. Fifth—It is agreed that neither principal shall be permitted to have more than four pacing teams on the track at one time, and the teams not in active use shall immediately take the outside of the track when they have been relieved by a fresh team.

Sixth—Pacing teams shall not pass the platform more than once after dropping the principal, nor shall fresh teams pass the platform more than once in making a change.

A WHEELMEN'S TRAIN SERVICE. BICYCLE CARS ON THE NINTH-AVE. ELEVATED

RAILROAD TO DAY. The Manhattan Railway Company has issued streular which will be read with interest by the riders of the bicycle in this city. Beginning to-day bicycle cars will be run at certain hours of the morning and afternoon. The service will continue every Sunday and holiday hereafter until further notice. The cost of transportation for one person and a wheel will be 15 cents, and for a tandem and two persons 20 cents. An additional sign. and a wheel will be 15 cents, and for a tandem and two persons 20 cents. An additional sign, reading "Bicycle Train," will be carried under the regular destination sign on each engine. The cars this year will be run between One-hundred-and-fity-fifth-st, and Rector-st., eighteen minutes apart.

Macadam roads of Little Ferry, fair. Macadam good, earth roads of Westwood and Oradell, good, earth roads of Westwood and Park Ridge, in good condition. Macadam roads of Harrington Park, the same training of the condition of the conditio

Southoid, Greenport and Orient good. Cycle path from Riverhead to Eastport and Riverhead to Westhampton fair. The Patchogue-Port Jefferson cycle path fair. The Brentwood-Smithtown cycle path good. Cycle path Riverhead to Quogue to be completed. Side roads to Whitestone, Willets Point and Port Washington are in fine condition, Flushing to Whitestone, fine; College Point to Whitestone, rough for one-half the distance, the rest in good condition. A pretty roundabout trip is as follows: From New-York City, Ninety-ninth Street Ferry to College Point, then to Whitestone to Willets Point along the shore front; fine view to Rayside, then Rocky Hill side road to Queens to Hempstead by way of old Hempstead Plank Road, which has been macadamized and is in fine shape for riding, to either Freeport or Millburn over a magnificent road surface, to Jamaica over the Merrick Road, then to Flushing, College Point, or at Jamaica can continue to Brookiyn by way of Fulton-st. Bushwick-ave, and Eastern Parkway of Fulton-st. Bushwick-ave, and Eastern Parkway for Endford-ave, to Twenty-third Street Ferry. Wheelmen going from Flushing to Jamaica, especially if bound for the Merrick Road, are strongly recommended to take a new road, are strongly recommended to take a new road, and in the derived hists from Flushing ton Jamaica and that a mild one. On Main-st, in Flushing turn east at Amity-st, and follow to Parsons-ave, follow this fire Queens road to Flushing cometery; then turn right and follow road straight to Jamaica, crossing Hillsdaience, straight on to Fulton-st, trolley tracks; there item right intee blocks to Smith-st, the beginning of the Merrick Road, which is a much easier route than the old road, as several long hills are avoided. Through Gen Cove, Locust Valley and Oyster Bay the roads are fair; to Northport, fine. Back road from Oyster Ray to East Norwich, good. The new macadam roads are being repaired.

STATEN ISLAND.

STATEN ISLAND. Macadam roads of the borough of Richmond are all in good condition, earth roads, fair. Good wheeling from St. George to Brondway, Port Richmond, and to Fishkill Bridge. Roads of Cliffon, fair to good. Macadam roads of Annadale, good; earth roads, fair.

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BROOKLYN AND LONG ISLAND.

The roads of Brooklyn are generally in fair riding condition. In Flathach are and Clinton-st, there are numerous large and dangerous heles. Roads of Parkville, hard and in good riding condition, hedford-are is dangerous in places, cyclistane neithed to beware of the avenue at Quincr-st, where a large gab has been left in the asymmetric and the avenue from the fountain to St. Marik-are is the avenue from the fountain to St. Marik-are is more of less a succession of ruts and holes. Cycle Path to Coney Island needs top dressing and rolling. The East Brive in Prospect Park is rough, caused by guilles made by rain. Especial attention is called to the dangerous manholes in the vieinity of Eighteenth-ave, and Eightleth-st, the covers stand up from two to four inches from the ground. Fort Hamilton, Seventh, Efficienth, Eighteenth, Twenty-second and Cropsey aves are in fair condition, also Sixtleth-st. Glenmore-ave, is rough and full of stones. Macadam roads of Bath Beach in good or Road between Fort Hunter and Bath Heach. Edge paths, good: Eighteenth-ave, for one-eighth of a mile from Ocean Parkway to Culver Rullroad should be renaved.

Macadam roads of Bay Ridge, good: earth roads fair. Road reports by wire from all sections of Long Island show majority of the roads to be in good condition. Cycle paths and edge paths are rapidly necoming hard and smooth. Effect of the rain has been toward bettering the roads to be in good condition. Cycle paths and edge paths are rapidly necoming hard and smooth. Effect of the rain has been toward bettering the roads to be in good condition. Cycle paths and edge paths are rapidly necoming hard and smooth. Effect of the rain has been toward bettering the roads rather improved the roads by laying the dust. A few of the unfrequented dirt roads are not yet in fair condition, but with this exception all cycle ways are in better condition than is usual at this time of the year. Jamaica, Valley Stream, Lynbrook, Freeport Massapequa roads in first-class condition. T

fair, but slightly wet. Macadam roads of West Nyack, good, earth roads and sidepaths, fair. Earth roads and sidepaths of New City, dry but rough. The earth tends and sidepaths of Havers taw dry but fair. Earth roads of Fort Montground New Screet W. S. Earth roads of Conwall, fair to good, adag paths, good. The roads of Conwall fair to good, adag paths, good Earth roads of Reseton, good, Macadam roads of Kingston first class, earth roads slightly modely. Earning the Conwall fair Roads of Plater Park, generally modely.

WILL POST WAR BULLETINS.

Luthy wheel costs more than double to manufacture than any other bicycle of a well-known make on the market to day. He proposes that the aworn labor sheets from the factory be pro-duced. The Luthy tandem holds many world's records. Beside the Luthy the company handles the "Remsen Special," which is guaranteed for

THE INTERCOLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS Oliver Shiras, manager of the Intercollegiate field and track championships to be held at Berkeley Oval on May 27 and 28, expects to have over three housand schoolboys in attendance. Special arrangements will be made for the accommodation of delegations from all the leading schools in the East. A special section in the stands, which are to be devorated with the school and college colors, has been set aside for each school. This will be the first time sectial preparations have been made for the schooling athletes on a large scale. Assurances of support have been received from all the leading schools of New-York and New-Jersey and many of those in New-England.

MUST PAY ALIMONY OR GO TO JAIL.

FIVE DAYS ALLOWED TO A. M. PALMER. THE THEATRICAL MANAGER, IN WHICH TO SETTLE HIS WIFE'S CLAIMS

Albert M. Palmer, the theatrical manager, has ocen ordered by Justice Bischoff, in the Supreme Court, to pay to his wife. Mariline, \$1,540.84 arrears f alimony due to her up to December, 1996, within we days, or to await committal to Ludlow Birect

of alimony due to her up to December, 1896, within five days, or to await committal to Ludlow Street Jail.

Mrs. Palmer secured a decree of divorce from her husband in December, 1833, and \$250 a month permanent alimony was allowed to her. Mr. Palmer continued to pay the amount awarded until 1835, when he suffered business reverses, and applied to Justice Andrews for a reduction of the alimony. Mrs. Palmer, on the other hand, asked that he becommitted for contempt in not paying ber allowance. Sha had at this time drawn \$1,000 lodged by Mr. Palmer in a bank here as security for a year's payment, and the sum of \$1,540 had subsequently become due.

Justice Andrews denied the motion to punish the defendant for contempt, and reduced the alimony to \$100 a month. Fro n this decision an appeal was taken by Mrs. Palmer's attorney to the Appellate Division, and the ruling of Justice Andrews was reversed. Mrs. Palmer then renewed her motion to have her husband punished for contempt, and Justice Bischoff yesterday handed down his decision. He directs that the amount in question be paid within five days, or eise the commitment of the defendant will issue.

Mrs. Palmer has been living on the Continent since she obtained her divorce. Mr. Palmer asserted in his application for the reduction of the alimony that her requirements were not then what they had previously been. She alleged that, owing to her falling health, she required the full amount awarded to her, and could not live on less.

Mr. Palmer is at present manager for Richard Mansheld, and is said to receive a salary of \$600 a month.

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ATLANTIC CITY AFFAIRS,

PATRIOTISM SHOWN AT THE INSPECTION OF THE MORRIS GUARDS

ACTIVE PREPARATIONS FOR THE SUMMER SEA-SON-MANY IMPROVEMENTS MADE AND PROPOSED.

Easter Sunday this resort has been trying to settle down to the peaceful enjoyment of the quier days that usually come "between seasons," but the attempt this year has been a futtle one. Although many of the visitors who spent Easter here have departed, they have been replaced by others, and the boardwalk is at all times well filled with promenaders. The hotel exchanges are the scenes of pleasant gatherings each evening, when cards and dancing are indulged in freely. With the exception of an occasional rainy day, the weather has been all that could be asked, making outdoor existence extremely pleasurable, and visitors are careful to take advantage of every opportunity for an outing. Already sailing parties are frequent, and it will not be long before indoor amusements will be almost wholly abandoned for the more healthful enjoyments of the open air. The per manent residents are alive to the fact that the summer season will be here in a short time, and are making their preparations accordingly. The smaller hotels—those that have not opened for the apring trade are being overhauled and put in or-der for the expected rush of summer visitors, and each week will witness the opening of a number from a social and patriotic standpoint, was the annual inspection of the Morris Guards, on Thursday evenium. The company is the foremost social organization of the city, and it is also one of the leading military organization of the State. It is an independent company, having no connection with the National Guard, but its members have with the National Guard, but its members have volunteered to a man to go to the front in case their services are needed by their country. The near approach of probable hostilities made the inspection of special interest, and many admiring eyes were cast at the members of the command. The inspection showed the company to be in excellent condition. After the drill all thoughts of war were cast and a and the warriors danced with

American Revolution, of this city. The meeting was held on Wednesday morning at the Roman Cafe, and was followed by an elaborate banquet. The house was beautifully decorated with American flags and other patriotic emblems, and patrioth speeches were the order of the day. The speakers were Mrs. David A. Depue, State regent; Miss Doughty, regent of Lafayette Chapter; Mrs. George W. Kendrick, regent of Quaker City Chapgressman John Gardner, and Mrs. John G. Shreve. The committee in charge was composed of Mrs.

When the city's garbage crematory was erected, at Michigan and Baltic aves., a few years ago, it was thought that the place was so far removed was thought that the place was so far removed from the centre of population that it would never become objectionable. But the progress of events has proved the contrary. The district named is now thickly populated; and, although the residents are of the poorer class, it is realized that they are entitled to some consideration. For this reason it has been decided to take the garbage-burning works to a site further removed from the built-up portion of the city. Strange to say, there have been few offers of land, and there has been some difficulty in obtaining a proper site. A plot of ground has finally been selected some distance out on the meadows, and it will be recommended at the next insetting of the Council for purchase by the city. The removal plant of certain odors that have occasionally proved annoying in the summertime. Another objectionable establishment, the fat-ren-Another objectionable establishment of the fat-ren-Another objectionable establishment of the fat-ren-Another objectionable estab

will also probably be removed in a short time. It is said that legal steps will be taken to enforce its removal.

The two playhouses which provided amusement for the visitors to this city last summer will again for the visitors to this city last summer will again for the visitors to this city last summer will again he in operation this year, but both will be larger be in operation this year, but both will be larger and better than ever before. The burning of the and better than ever before. The burning of the and better than ever before. The burning of the and better than ever before. The summer is now pushing the erection of a fine theatre on the site of the burned building. In addition to this, the owners of the Empire Theatre, Messrs. Donnelly and the Empire Theatre, Messrs. Donnelly and the Empire Theatre, Messrs. Donnelly and house, in order to keep abreast of the times. The place is being entirely remodelled, and when finished it will be suitable for winter use as well as for summer entertainments.

The question of lighting the city has brought forth a proposition for the municipality to build its own electric light plant; but the matter has been postponed at least five years by the action of the Council in awarding a contract for lighting for that length of time. There is a disposition for improvement all through the city, taking in every department of city government. This is shown in other directions. The paving matter has been unfortunately delayed, owing to an error on the part of the clerks of the Legislature, but it is hoped that things will soon be straightened out, and that the paving will proceed. The advanced thinkers expect that in the course of time the city will own the severage plant and the lighting plant, together with several other valuable franchises which are now in the hands of private corporations.

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Refreshments and dancing closed the entertainment.

The orchestras at the various hotels continue to give their daily concerts, greatly to the enjoyment of the guests. Impromptu dances are frequently organized, the hotel proprietors being always willing to place their ballrooms at the disposal of their guests for any sort of merry-making. The non-dancers find plenty of enjoyment in progressive euchre, which continues to hold the leading place in the list of amusements, despite the inroad of whist and other games that require study and practice in order to bring out skilled players.

STILL DRAWING FROM THE STATE BANK. The run on the State Bank, at No. 368 Grand-st., still continued yesterday, though it had moderated to some extent. About two hundred persons were in line at the bank before the opening time. The in line at the bank before the opening time. The crowd was made un almost wholly of Hebrews, all of whom, as it was their Sunday, were dressed in their best clothing. About fifty of the two hundred had money in the bank. The others were friends, who wanted to see them draw the cash. There was not much excitement in or out of the bank. Four policemen kept the crowd in line and preserved order. The officials were still paying in silver dollars, and they said that they did not expect the run to last much longer.

FOR A NEW BUILDING CODE.

A meeting of the Joint Committee on a New Building Code was held at the rooms of the Builders' League. No. 74 West One-hundred-and-twenty-League. No. 74 West One-hundred-and-twenty-sixth-st., on Friday evening. William J. Fryer presided. It was reported to the meeting that Building Commissioner Brady had expressed the opinion that, in view of the question of the city's indebtedness, it would not be advisable to ask for the appropriation of funds by the city to comply with the provision of the charter for the preparation of a building code. A committee was, however, appointed to wait upon the Mayor, with a view of securing definite action on the matter.

THE NEW PUBLIC STORES TENANTED. Appraiser Wakeman managed to get all his office furniture moved away from the old public stores in Laight-st., yesterday, and installed himself in the new stores in Christopher-st. The Appraiser's office is on the second floor, at the south end of the huge building. A large quantity of goods is aiready there, and on Monday ordinary business will be resumed.

M'CULLAGH ON "THE" ALLEN. Chief of Police McCullagh was asked yesterday

what he thought of the acquittal of "The" Allen. "We'll try again, but we won't make any more special effort against Allen than against any other pooiroom-keeper," said the Chief. "We will simply deal with him as with any gambler or bookmaked. They must all stop trying to open up here."